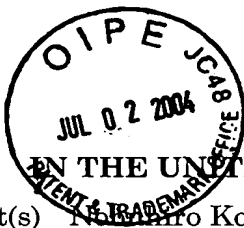


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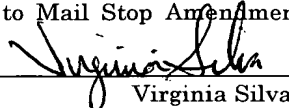
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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES
AND
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (IF REQUIRED)**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Election of Species in the Office Action dated June 3, 2004, applicants hereby elect without traverse the species shown in Figs. 1-10 and 14-33, on which claims 21-32, 49-55, 57-63, 65-71, 73-79 and 81-89 read, for prosecution at this time. If necessary, applicants reserve the right to present the remaining claims in a divisional application at the appropriate time.

The Examiner will note that the dependencies of claims 57-64 have been changed by way of the supplemental preliminary amendment filed concurrently herewith.

Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fee for such extension of time to our Deposit Account No. 19-2746.

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